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Arms and Plug Connector To Be  
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Dear Sir:

- 1) Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98 applicants enclose Form PTO-1449, copies of the references listed thereon, and two English Abstracts.
- 2) This statement is being filed simultaneously with the above identified new patent application.
- 3) Reference AA is in English. References AB and AC have been discussed in the specification at pages 1 and 2. Reference AB corresponds to AA from which the relevance can be determined in English and is also accompanied by an English Abstract. Reference AC is accompanied by an English Abstract. Thus, no further discussion of the references is required.

- 4) Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider all references of record, return an initialled copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 and ensure that all references of record are printed on any patent issuing from this application.
- 5) Favorable consideration and allowance of claims 1 to 12 are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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